



New Members

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AGA operates under a national-chapter partnership with its 100 chapters located throughout the U.S., Guam, Japan, Puerto Rico and Saipan. AGA is governed by a National Board of Directors (NBD), which includes regional leaders and chapter presidents. AGA's 16-member National Executive Committee (NEC) acts for the NBD, meeting quarterly to discuss strategic issues. The day-to-day operation of the Association is handled by the National Office, headquartered in Alexandria, VA, with 28 employees reporting to an executive director who reports to the AGA National President. More than 800 volunteer members serve the Association through committees, boards, and chapters. Thanks for being one of them!

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President's Message

Hello Everyone,

Our January luncheon was a great success! We had 49 attendees! The Tax Update luncheon, held in the Executive Dining Room at the National Finance Center, featured Ms. Earline Brown, Stakeholder Liaison, from the Internal Revenue Service. Ms. Brown provided us with the most recent changes in the tax law and made us aware of future requirements for tax preparers. Her presentation was very informative. I would like to thank all the members and guests for attending this worthwhile presentation. Our meetings are not possible without the hard work, dedication and contributions from our Chapter Officers and Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs. Thank you for your continued support. Finally, thank you members! We would not be a great Chapter without YOU!

It's time to renew your membership. Everyone should have received their **Annual Membership** packet, via email or mail. Please remember, you have the option of renewing on-line at www.agacgfm.org. I would like to encourage everyone to renew their membership and continue receiving all the wonderful benefits AGA has to offer.

As an AGA member, you understand the value of membership. Please consider sharing the value and benefits of AGA membership with friends, colleagues, and early career employees in your area.

Mark your calendars! Our annual Spring Luncheon Seminar will be held on Wednesday April 27, 2011 at Longue Vue House & Gardens, 7 Bamboo Road, New Orleans, LA. More information will be coming soon.

I look forward to seeing you at our dinner meeting next Thursday, February 17, 2011, at Salvatore Ristorante located at 3226 N. Arnoult Road in Metairie, LA.

Our March dinner meeting will be held on Thursday, March 17, 2011 at Five Happiness Restaurant in New Orleans, LA. This is a joint meeting with Association of Women Accountants (ASWA).

Darlene M. Fisher, MBA
Chapter President

AGA serves government accountability professional by providing quality education, fostering professional development and certification, and supporting standards and research to advance government accountability.

AGA New Orleans February Chapter Meeting

Guest Speaker



Will Hatcher

Special Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation
New Orleans Division

For the past twenty years SA Hatcher has served in the San Francisco and New Orleans FBI offices as a SWAT team member, a white collar crime and a computer network investigator and supervisor. SA Hatcher is currently located in New Orleans as member of the Field Intelligence Group. SA Hatcher served as the FBI Cyber Program Coordinator responsible for all FBI digital investigations in the state of Louisiana for seven years ending in 2006. SA Hatcher has been case agent on major fraud and computer intrusion investigations.

As part of his duties, SA Hatcher supervised or led investigations of all crimes targeting computers and the Internet to include crimes involving espionage, terrorism, computer data theft or alteration, computer network intrusions, network denial of service attacks, child pornography, Internet fraud and theft of intellectual property. These investigations often involved forensic computer science, digital wiretaps and undercover operations.

SA Hatcher was a past president of the Louisiana chapter of the international High Technology Crime Investigator Association. SA Hatcher provides professional instruction and lectures in the area of white collar crime, computer crime and network investigations to international law enforcement representatives, private industry and local law enforcement officers.

Past FBI Duties

2006 – Present – Special Agent assigned to the Field Intelligence Group, New Orleans, Louisiana.

1999 – 2006 Supervisory Special Agent, Regional Cyber Crime Squad, New Orleans, Louisiana
SA Hatcher managed a staff of 14 agents and specialist who investigate computer crime matters.

1990 - 1999 Special Agent, San Francisco, CA and New Orleans, LA

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Pre - FBI Professional Experience

SA Hatcher's professional experience prior to the FBI is 5 years as an auditor and audit program developer, 3 years as part owner/operator of a private investigation business in Ft. Lauderdale, while serving 9 years as a reserve Army officer.

Education and Professional Designations

SA Hatcher holds a Bachelor of Science accounting degree from Florida State University with an emphasis in computer science and computerized accounting programs. Agent Hatcher participated in varsity football and Army ROTC while he was at FSU.

AGA - New Orleans Chapter 2010-2011 Community Service Plan Planned Community Service Events

1. **Rebuilding Together New Orleans** www.rtno.org
Assist with revitalizing houses for the elderly, disabled, or families with children – TBD
2. **Dress for Success - SOS "Send One Suit" Week**
Accept donations of slightly used clothing for disadvantaged women entering the workforce - TBD
3. **On-going Community Service Collections**
Slightly used DVDs for area Nursing Homes
Magazines for Nursing Homes
Cell phones for Battered Women
4. **Toys for Tots - Adopt-A-Child**
Christmas Gifts for Needy Children – December 2011
5. **Children's Hospital**
Teddy Bear collection for hospitalized children – December 2011

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**Association of Government Accountants
Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM)
Annual Plan for the New Orleans Chapter
2010-2011**

GOAL 1 – Support Current CGFMs

- ❑ Publish CGFM member's achievements in newsletter and local newspapers.
- ❑ Partner with other organizations and/or governmental entities to promote the CGFM designation.
- ❑ Recognize local CGFMs by using the CGFM designation in chapter publications, name tags, etc.
- ❑ Contribute items to chapter newsletter such as CGFM recognition, study suggestions, encouragement, and technical requirements.
- ❑ Publicize new CGFMs in chapter and local publications.

GOAL 2 – Market CGFM Locally

- ❑ Encourage employer policy change to recognize CGFM.
- ❑ Solicit endorsements of CGFM from area employers and elected officials.
- ❑ Coordinate with the Regional and National coordinators to assist in promoting the Chapters goal.
- ❑ Contact area government accountability leaders.
- ❑ Create an awareness of the value of CGFM to the general public.

GOAL 3 – Assist Potential New CGFMs in Attaining Certification

- ❑ Coordinate study groups.
- ❑ Develop a mentoring program.
- ❑ Develop other study options.
- ❑ Develop a plan in the Chapter to offer CGFM courses.
- ❑ Provide a CGFM Examination Scholarship.

**AGA New Orleans Chapter
Educational Sessions 2010 – 2011**

Date	Time	Place	Audio Sessions
03/23/2011	1:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.	National Finance Center (Same Address Above)	Improving Performance Reporting (2 CPE)
05/18/2011	1:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.	National Finance Center (Same Address Above)	Ethics in Government

RECOGNITION POINTS 2010-2011

Recognition Categories	Max Credits Per Category	Credits Through September 2010
Chapter Leadership Planning and Participation	3,000	2,450
Education & Professional Development	4,000	375
Certification	4,000	450
Communications	3,000	675
Membership	3,000	400
Early Career and Student Members	2,000	0
Community Service	2,000	200
Awards	1,000	0
Total	22,000	4,550



A banner with a dark red background. On the left is the CGFM logo, which consists of three yellow stars and a stylized American flag. To the right of the logo, the words "NEWS FLASH" are written in large, bold, yellow capital letters.



AGA is once again offering a great opportunity to take the CGFM Examinations and earn your CGFM after the Ninth Annual National Leadership Conference (NLC). Whether you've found it difficult to find time to complete the three exams or just need an extra reinforcement of the material, this is your chance to get it done!

To help you reach that goal, we are offering a two-day Intensive Review Course on Monday, February 21, and Tuesday, February 22, 2011, and an opportunity to take the CGFM Examinations on February 23–24, 2011. The event will take place in Alexandria, VA. The cost of the course is only \$279 for qualified participants, and it offers 18 CPE hours. Special Bonus: The CGFM Examinations are offered at no cost to course attendees.

This course is designed as a supplement to previous preparation for the CGFM Examinations, so this is a perfect opportunity for those individuals who have already attended CGFM training courses or have been preparing by using the CGFM Study Guides. Enrollment is limited and popular exam time slots are reserved quickly, so don't delay.

More information and a registration form for this event are available on the AGA website (http://www.agacgfm.org/nlc_2011/cgfm_exams.htm). If you have any questions, please contact Crystal Vanison at cvanison@agacgfm.org or at 800.AGA.7211, ext. 316.

AGA New Orleans Chapter Meetings 2010-2011

Date	Time	Location* & Cost	Speaker* & CPE	Menu
February 17, 2011	5:30 P.M.	Salvatore's Ristorante 3226 N. Arnoult Road Metairie, LA Members \$28.00/ Guests \$30.00	TBD 1 CPE	Shrimp & Crab Bisque House Salad Grilled Chicken Marsala Trout Meuniere w/Vegetables & Potatoes Beef Tips w/Pasta Praline Parfait Coffee & Tea
March 17, 2011	5:30 P.M.	Five Happiness Restaurant 3605 S. Carrollton Ave New Orleans, LA	Joint Meeting with American Society of Women Accountants Speaker – TBD 1 CPE	
April 29, 2011	5:30 P.M.	Zephyr Stadium 6000 Airline Drive Metairie, LA	Tailgate Party & Baseball Game	
May 19, 2011	5:30 P.M.	Green Acre's Country Club 5000 W. Napoleon Avenue Metairie, LA		Crawfish Boil & Chapter Awards Ceremony
June 9, 2011	5:30 P.M.	Don's Seafood Hut 1915 S. Morrison Blvd Hammond, LA	Dick Bunce, AGA National President-Elect Joint Meeting with BR Chapter 1 CPE	



OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS – CGFM CERTIFICATION STUDY GROUP

AGA New Orleans Chapter's CGFM Committee is initiating a study session/group for all chapter members interested in obtaining their CGFM Certification.

WHEN: Beginning February 3, 2011, and continuing every Thursday from 12:00 noon to 1 pm.

WHERE: USDA, OCFO New Orleans, (National Finance Center)
13800 Old Gentilly Road – 2nd Floor
Morton Conference Room

The conference room will be available to anyone that would like to review the on-site CGDM Material (manuals and study guides). This is a pilot initiation to share information among our members.

QUESTIONS: For more information, please contact the CGFM Co-Chairs, Pam Lincoln at 504-426-0422 or Tongie LeBeau at 504-426-5447.

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**NEW ORLEANS CHAPTER
ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTANTS
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS**

31-Jan-11

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS:

Cash	\$ 874.56
Savings	5,783.65
Deposit - Restaurants	200.00
Prepaid Seminar Expenses	672.00
Accounts Receivable	566.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$8,096.21

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Accounts Payable

NET ASSETS:

Membership Recruitment	460.32
Habitat for Humanity Project Funds	-
Hurricane Relief Fund	2,709.25
Unrestricted net assets	4,926.64
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$8,096.21

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**

SEVEN
MONTHS
ENDED

	1/31/2011	1/31/2011
OPERATING REVENUES		
Education	\$ 30.00	\$ 710.00
Monthly Meetings	674.00	2,457.12
Christmas Party		
50/50 Raffle	-	
Membership Dues	-	123.35
Sponsorship	-	1,000.00
Interest Income	-	53.80
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 704.00	\$ 4,344.27
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Education	\$-	448.00
Business Meetings	765.51	5,255.80
Interpreter		
50/50 Raffle	-	
Postage/Supplies/Gifts	7.19	7.19
AGA PDC Expenses	-	300.78
Scholarship	-	
Bank Service Charges	10.00	15.00
Donations	-	
Speaker's Gifts		
Habitat Crayfish Boil	-	
Officer Expenses	152.25	152.25
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 934.95	\$ 6,179.02
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(\$230.95)	(\$1,834.75)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	\$-	\$-
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE CONTRIBUTIONS	(\$230.95)	(\$1,834.75)
CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS(PRIOR YEAR ADJ)	\$-	(\$74.04)
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(\$230.95)	(\$1,908.79)
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	\$6,835.43	\$6,835.43
NET ASSETS AT END OF PERIOD	\$6,604.48	\$4,926.64